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Re: Mid-Term Review, WEST RIDGE Resources, Inc., West Ridge Mine, ACT/007/041.

Dear Sirs:

WEST RIDGE Resources, Inc. is herewith submitting responses to three questions raised by the Division staff as a result of the Mid-Term review.

Additional information pertaining to these three questions will be submitted to the Division as soon as it becomes available.

Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Glasson
Environmental Coordinator

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Mid-Term Review Response

Page 3, Item 1. A sign was in place at the site of the CGM storage during the inspection. Only sufficient material was available for CGM storage in the upper dam. The lower dam was constructed of other material. Map 5-10 shows only the upper dam as storage.

Page 3, Item 2. The Right Fork face up material sampling information cannot be found. In the spring of 2002, samples of the roof and floor at the face up area will be taken and analyzed. All coal from the area has been loaded out in trucks and hauled to stockpiles at rail loadouts. The roof and floor material has been shown to be nonhazardous and not acid-forming from previous samples taken in 1997.

Page 3, Item 3. No information has been obtained on roof and floor material since 1997. Samples of the material buried in the pad were taken by Mt. Nebo Scientific in September 2001. Results from the analysis of these samples will be forwarded to the Division as soon as they become available.